

IN THE DRAWINGS

Applicant proposed to insert the caption "PRIOR ART" into Figs. 1-9 of the drawings in accordance with the accompanying ANNOTATED SHEETS SHOWING CHANGES.

Enclosed herewith are REPLACEMENT SHEETS in which the above changes have been incorporated.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to more clearly define the invention as disclosed in the written description. In particular, the claims have been amended for clarity.

Applicant would like to point out that while the Examiner states that Claims 1-3 are presented for examination, in fact, the application contains claims 1-4.

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as claiming a mathematical formula or algorithm.

Applicant submits that claims 1 and 2, as amended, (as well as dependent claims 3 and 4) are now in one of the "Safe Harbors" described in the Examination Guidelines for Computer-Related Inventions, i.e., (ii) Computer-Related Processes Limited to a Practical Application in the Technological Arts. Applicant therefore believes that claims 1 and 2, as amended, as well as claims 3 and 4 are statutory.

The Examiner has provisionally rejected claims 1-3 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over the claims in co-pending U.S. Patent Applications Serial Nos. 10/531,969; 10/548,250; and 10/550,352, corresponding, respectively, to U.S. Patent Application Publication Nos. 20060015796, 20060101318 and 20060200706.

In response thereto, enclosed herewith are Terminal Disclaimers referencing said co-pending applications.

In view of the above, Applicant believes that this application, containing claims 1-4, is now in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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